(in Rs lakh/MW)

Year	200/210/ 250 MW Series	300/ 330/ 350 MW Series	500 MW Series	600 MW Series	800 MW Series and above
FY 2019-20	32.96	27.74	22.51	20.26	18.23
FY 2020-21	34.12	28.71	23.30	20.97	18.87
FY 2021-22	35.31	29.72	24.12	21.71	19.54
FY 2022-23	36.56	30.76	24.97	22.47	20.22
FY 2023-24	37.84	31.84	25.84	23.26	20.93

Provided that where the date of commercial operation of any additional unit(s) of a generating station after first four units occurs on or after 1.4.2019, the O&M expenses of such additional unit(s) shall be admissible at 90% of the operation and maintenance expenses as specified above;

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Provided also that operation and maintenance expenses of generating station having unit size of less than 200 MW not covered above shall be determined on case to case basis."

20. The Petitioner has claimed normative O&M expenses in Form 3A as under:

			(	Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
13843.20	14330.40	14830.20	15355.20	15892.80

21. The normative O&M expenses as claimed by the Petitioner in terms of the aforesaid regulations, has been considered, for the purpose of tariff.

# **Water Charges**

22. Regulation 35(1)(6) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides as under:

"35(1)(6) The Water, Security Expenses and Capital Spares for thermal generating stations shall be allowed separately and after prudence check:

Provided that water charges shall be allowed based on water consumption depending upon type of plant, type of cooling water system etc., subject to prudence check. The details regarding the same shall be furnished along with the petition:

Provided further that the generating station shall submit the assessment of the security requirement and estimated expenses;

Provided also that the generating station shall submit the details of year-wise actual capital spares consumed at the time of truing up with appropriate justification for incurring the same and substantiating that the same is not funded through compensatory allowance as per Regulation 17 of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms

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and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2014 or Special Allowance or claimed as part of additional capitalization or consumption of stores and spares and renovation and modernization."

23. The actual water charges allowed vide order dated 1.10.2022 in Petition No. 302/GT/2020 for the 2014-19 tariff period is as follows:

				(Rs.in lakh)
2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
217.60	233.85	217.96	250.43	160.61

24. In terms of the first proviso to Regulations 35(1)(6) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, water charges shall be allowed separately, based on water consumption depending upon type of plant, type of cooling water system etc., subject to prudence check. The details furnished by the Petitioner in respect of actual water charges for 2018-19 are as under:

Description	Remarks
Type of plant	Coal Based
Type of cooling water system	Closed Cycle
Allocation of Water	462998590 Cubic feet
Consumption of Water	Rs.12.48 per 1000 cubic feet
Rate of Water charges	Rs.6 lakh per cusec per year
Total Water Charges	Rs.160.61 lakh

25. The Petitioner has claimed the water charges as under:

				(Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
124.35	124.35	124.35	124.35	124.35

26. The Petitioner in its additional submission dated 23.6.2021, has submitted the actual water charges incurred as Rs. 145.43 lakh in 2019-20 and the same is allowed. Further, the water charges for the period 2020-24 has been allowed, after escalating the actual water charges incurred for 2019-20 by 5%. However, the Petitioner shall, at the time of truing up of tariff, furnish the detail of actual water consumption (in cubic meters) and rate (Rs/cubic meter). Considering the past consumption petitioner is directed to optimize their contracted quantity in future. The water charges have been

allowed after prudence check of the actual charges paid, for the 2019-24 tariff period, as summarized below:

			(R	s.in lakh)
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
145.43	152.70	160.34	168.35	176.77

## **Security Charges**

27. The Petitioner has claimed total security expenses of Rs.6272.80 lakh (i.e. Rs.1029.53 lakh in 2019-20, Rs.1131.41 lakh in 2020-21, Rs.1243.41 lakh in 2021-22, Rs.1366.54 lakh in 2022-23 and Rs.1501.92 lakh in 2023-24) for the 2019-24 tariff period, in terms of the second proviso to Regulation 35(1)(6) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations. It has, however, not furnished any justification and the assessment of security, for the expenses claimed. It is further observed that the Petitioner vide additional submission dated 23.6.2021, has submitted actual security expenses of Rs.909.02 lakh in 2019-20 and Rs 953.28 lakh in 2020-21. The actual security expenses as claimed by the Petitioner is allowed for 2019-20 and 2020-21. Further, the security expenses for the period 2021-24 has been allowed, after escalating the actual security expenses incurred for 2020-21 by 5%. However, the Petitioner shall, at the time of truing up, furnish the actual security expenses incurred along with proper justification and assessment in terms of Regulation 35(1)(6) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations. Accordingly, the Security charges allowed for the 2019-24 tariff period are summarized as follows:

			(	Rs.in lakh)
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
909.02	953.28	1000.94	1050.99	1103.54

#### **Capital spares**

28. The Petitioner has not claimed any capital spares, on projection basis, during the 2019-24 tariff period and has submitted that the same shall be claimed at the time of truing up of tariff, in terms of the last proviso to Regulation 35(1)(6) of the 2019 Tariff

Regulations, based on actual consumption of spares. Accordingly, the same has not been considered in this order. The claim of the Petitioner, if any, at the time of truing up, of tariff, shall be considered on merits, after prudence check.

29. Accordingly, the total O&M expenses, including Water Charges and Security Charges, claimed by the Petitioner and allowed for the 2019-24 tariff period is summarized as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

		2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Installed Capacity (MW) (A)		420.00	420.00	420.00	420.00	420.00
O&M Expenses under Reg.35(1)	Claimed	32.96	34.12	35.31	36.56	37.84
in Rs. lakh / MW (B)	Allowed	32.96	34.12	35.31	36.56	37.84
Total O&M Expenses (in Rs.	Claimed	13843.20	14330.40	14830.20	15355.20	15892.80
lakh) (C) = (A)*(B)	Allowed	13843.20	14330.40	14830.20	15355.20	15892.80
Water Charges (in Rs. lakh) (D)	Claimed	124.35	124.35	124.35	124.35	124.35
	Allowed	145.43	152.70	160.34	168.35	176.77
Security Expenses (in Rs. lakh)	Claimed	1029.53	1131.41	1243.41	1366.54	1501.92
(E)	Allowed	909.02	953.28	1000.94	1050.99	1103.54
Total O&M Expenses as	Claimed	14997.07	15586.15	16197.95	16846.09	17519.06
allowed (including Water	Allowed	14897.65	15436.38	15991.48	16574.54	17173.11
Charges and Capital Spares						
Consumed) (F) = $(C+D+E)$						

## Fly Ash Transportation charges

30. The Petitioner in additional submission dated 11.5.2021 has prayed to allow actual fly ash transportation charges of Rs.20.29 lakh in 2019-20 and Rs.39.26 lakh in 2020-21, based on the actual expenses incurred. Further, the Petitioner has submitted that it will be incurring ash transportation expenditure in its generating station for the 2019-24 tariff period. In case the same is allowed to be recovered at the end of the 2019-24 tariff period, there will be additional liability on the beneficiaries on account of the interest payment for the period till the time the true-up petition for the 2019-24 tariff period is decided. The Petitioner has submitted that to avoid the interest payment liability of the beneficiaries, the Petitioner may be allowed to recover/ pass on the ash

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transportation charges after adjusting the revenue earned from sale of ash at the end of each quarter of financial year subject to true-up at the end of the period.

31. The matter has been considered. It is noticed that the Petitioner has filed Petition No. 205/MP/2021 with regard to reimbursement of fly ash transportation charges in respect of its generating stations for 2019-24 tariff period. Hence, the same has not been considered in this order. Therefore, the claim for reimbursement of fly ash transportation charges shall be governed by the decision of the Commission in Petition No. 205/MP/2021, which has been reserved for orders.

## **Special Allowance**

- 32. Regulation 28 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides for Special Allowance for coal-based/lignite fired thermal generating stations as under:
  - "(1) In case of coal-based/lignite fired thermal generating station, the generating company, instead of availing renovation and modernization (R&M) may opt to avail a 'special allowance' in accordance with the norms specified in this Regulation, as compensation for meeting the requirement of expenses including renovation and modernization beyond the useful life of the generating station or a unit thereof and in such an event, upward revision of the capital cost shall not be allowed and the applicable operational norms shall not be relaxed but the Special Allowance shall be included in the annual fixed cost:

Provided that such option shall not be available for a generating station or unit thereof for which renovation and modernization has been undertaken and the expenditure has been admitted by the Commission before commencement of these regulations, or for a generating station or unit which is in a depleted condition or operating under relaxed operational performance norms;

Provided further that special allowance shall also be available for a generating station which has availed the Special Allowance during the tariff period 2009-14 or 2014-19 as applicable from the date of completion of useful life.

- (2) The Special Allowance admissible to a generating station shall be @ Rs. 9.5 lakh per MW per year for the tariff period 2019-24.
- (3) In the event of a generating station availing Special Allowance, the expenditure incurred upon or utilized from Special Allowance shall be maintained separately by the generating station and details of same shall be made available to the Commission as and when directed.

The Special Allowance allowed under this Regulation shall be transferred to a separate fund for utilization towards Renovation & Modernization activities, for which detailed methodology shall be issued separately."

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33. In terms of Regulation 28 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, Special Allowance claimed by the Petitioner is as under:

			(I	Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
3990.00	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00

34. In terms of Regulation 28 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, Special Allowance has been worked out and allowed as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

Unit	Capacity (MW)	COD	Special Allowance				
			2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
I	210	21.11.1988	1995.00	1995.00	1995.00	1995.00	1995.00
II	210	22.3.1989	1995.00	1995.00	1995.00	1995.00	1995.00
Total			3990.00	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00

### **Operational Norms**

35. The operational norms considered by the Petitioner in Form-3 of the petition is as follows:

Normative Annual Plant Availability Factor (NAPAF)	85%
Gross Station Heat Rate (kCal/kWh)	2430.00
Auxiliary Power Consumption (%)	9.00
Specific Oil Consumption (ml/kWh)	0.50

#### (a) Normative Annual Plant Availability Factor

- 36. Regulation 49(A) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides as under:
  - "(A) Normative Annual Plant Availability Factor (NAPAF)
  - (a) For all thermal generating stations, except those covered under clauses (b), (c), (d), & (e) 85%;xxx."

37. The Petitioner has considered NAPAF of 85% during the 2019-24 tariff period as per Regulation 49(A)(a) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations and hence, the same is allowed.

#### (b) Station Heat Rate

38. Regulation 49(C)(a)(i) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides as under:

"(i) For existing Coal-based Thermal Generating Stations, other than those covered under clauses (ii) and (iii) below:

200/210/250 MW Sets	500 MW Sets (Sub-critical)
2430 kCal/kWh	2390 kCal/kWh

XXX"

39. The Petitioner has considered the Gross Station Heat Rate of 2430 kCal/ kWh in terms of Regulation 49(C)(a)(i) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations and therefore, the same has been considered for the purpose of tariff.

# (c) Auxiliary Power Consumption:

- 40. Regulation 49(E)(a) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides for Auxiliary Power Consumption as under:
  - "(a) For Coal-based generating stations except at (b) below:

SI. No.	Generating Station	With Natural Draft cooling tower or without cooling tower
(i)	200 MW series	8.50%
(ii)	300 MW and above	
	Steam driven boiler feed pumps	5.75%
	Electrically driven boiler feed pumps	8.00%

Provided that for thermal generating stations with induced draft cooling towers and where tube type coal mill is used, the norms shall be further increased by 0.5% and 0.8%, respectively:

Provided further that Additional Auxiliary Energy Consumption as follows shall be allowed for plants with Dry Cooling Systems:

Type of Dry Cooling System	(% of gross generation)
Direct cooling air cooled condensers with mechanical draft fans	1.0%
Indirect cooling system employing jet condensers with pressure recovery turbine and natural draft tower	0.5%

Note: The auxiliary energy consumption for the unit capacity of less than 200 MW sets shall be dealt on case to case basis."

41. The generating station is a 420 MW plant with natural draft cooling tower. Therefore, the Auxiliary Power Consumption of 9.00% as claimed by the Petitioner, is in terms of Regulation 49(E)(a) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations and therefore allowed.



## (d) Secondary Fuel Oil Consumption

- 42. Regulation 49(D)(a) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, provides for Secondary fuel oil consumption of 0.50 ml/kWh, for coal-based generating stations. As the Secondary fuel oil consumption considered by the Petitioner is in terms of the aforesaid regulations, the same is allowed.
- 43. Based on the above, the operational norms considered for determination of energy charges for the generating station for the 2019-24 tariff period are as under:

Normative Annual Plant Availability Factor (NAPAF) (%)	85.00
Heat Rate (kCal/kWh)	2430.00
Auxiliary Power Consumption (%)	9.00
Specific Oil Consumption (ml/kWh)	0.50

## **Interest on Working Capital**

- 44. Regulation 34(1) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides as follows:
  - "34. Interest on Working Capital: (1) The working capital shall cover:
  - (a) For Coal-based/lignite-fired thermal generating stations:
  - (i) Cost of coal or lignite and limestone towards stock if applicable for 10 days for pit-head generating stations and 20 days for non-pit-head generating stations for generation corresponding to the normative annual plant availability factor or the maximum coal/lignite stock storage capacity whichever is lower;
  - (ii) Advance payment for 30 days towards cost of coal or lignite and limestone for generation corresponding to the normative annual plant availability factor;
  - (iii) Cost of secondary fuel oil for two months for generation corresponding to the normative annual plant availability factor and in case of use of more than one secondary fuel oil cost of fuel oil stock for the main secondary fuel oil;
  - (iv) Maintenance spares @ 20% of operation and maintenance expenses including water charges and security expenses;
  - (v) Receivables equivalent to 45 days of capacity charge and energy charge for sale of electricity calculated on the normative annual plant availability factor; and
  - (vi) Operation and maintenance expenses including water charges and security expenses for one month."

#### Fuel Cost for computation of working capital

45. The Petitioner has claimed the Energy Charge Rate (ECR) of Rs.3.012 per kWh and fuel component in working capital as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Cost of coal for 50 days	11621.03	11621.03	11621.03	11621.03	11621.03
Cost of Secondary fuel oil 2 months	146.10	145.70	145.70	145.70	146.10

- 46. The Petitioner has claimed the fuel component cost in working capital and ECR based on:
  - a) Operational norms as per the 2019 Tariff Regulations.
  - b) Price and "as received" GCV of coal procured for the three months of October 2018, November 2018, and December 2018, and
  - c) Price and GCV of secondary fuel oil for the three months of October 2018, November 2018, and December 2018.
- 47. It is observed that the Petitioner vide additional affidavit dated 26.5.2021 has submitted the revised Form-15, indicating the opening stock of coal and coal received during the months of October 2018, November 2018 and December 2018, separately. On perusal of the data furnished by the Petitioner, it is observed that the Petitioner, while computing the landed cost of fuel, has considered the opening stock of coal for the months of October 2018, November 2018 and December 2018 (closing stock of the coal for the previous months). However, in terms of the Regulation 39 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, the computation of ECR and associated fuel components in interest on working capital, is based on the landed price and GCV of fuel, which means that the fuel received during the specified three months (October 2018, November 2018 and December 2018) is only to be considered, without opening stock. The normative cost of coal for stock of 50 days and Normative Transit and Handling loss of 0.80% has been considered for the calculation of working capital requirements. Accordingly, after excluding the opening stock value, we have worked out the weighted average landed cost and weighted average GCV of coal for working out the fuel component in working capital for the months of October 2018, November 2018 and December 2018. The Fuel components in working capital are allowed as under:

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(Rs. in lakh)

	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Cost of Coal towards Stock - 20 days generation corresponding to NAPAF days	4634.19	4634.19	4634.19	4634.19	4634.19
Cost of Coal towards Generation - 30 days generation corresponding to NAPAF	6951.28	6951.28	6951.28	6951.28	6951.28
Cost of Secondary fuel oil - 2 months generation corresponding to NAPAF	126.33	125.99	125.99	125.99	126.33

## **Energy Charge Rate (ECR)**

- 48. The Petitioner has claimed ECR (ex-bus) of Rs.3.012 per kWh, based on the weighted average price, GCV of coal & oil procured and burnt for the preceding months of October 2018, November 2018 and December 2018. The Respondent, UPPCL has made the following contentions:
  - i.Petitioner has stated that in respect of quantity of coal supplied by the Coal company and amount charged by Coal company, opening balances have been considered.
  - ii. To direct the Petitioner to determine energy charges as per provisions of Regulation 34(2) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations and to ignore opening balances for computation of energy charges.
- 49. In response, the Petitioner has submitted that it has prepared and computed energy charges for the purpose of computation of Interest on Working Capital as per Form-15 at Annexure-I to the 2019 Tariff Regulations.
- 50. The submissions have been considered. The ECR, as worked out, based on the operational norms specified under the 2019 Regulations and on "as received" GCV of coal for the preceding three months i.e., from October 2018 to December 2018, has been considered for allowing two months of energy charge in working capital as follows:

Description	Unit	2019-24
Capacity	MW	420.00
Gross Station Heat Rate	kCal/kWh	2430.00
Auxiliary Energy Consumption	%	9.00
Weighted average GCV of oil	kCal/lit	9611.33
Weighted average GCV of coal	kCal/kg	3870.33

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Description	Unit	2019-24
Weighted average price of oil	Rs/KL	48342.97
Weighted average price of Coal	Rs/MT	4315.85
Rate of energy charge ex-bus	Rs/kWh	2.998

## Working capital for O&M Expenses

51. O&M expenses for 1 month claimed by the Petitioner for the purpose of working capital (including water charges and security expenses) are as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)							
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24			
1249.76	1298.85	1349.83	1403.84	1459.92			

Regulation 34(1)(a)(vi) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides for one month of O&M expenses including water charges and security expenses as working capital component for O&M Expenses. Accordingly, the O&M expenses component of working capital is allowed as follows:

	(1	Rs. in lakh)		
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1241.47	1286.37	1332.62	1381.21	1431.09

#### **Working capital for Maintenance Spares**

53. Regulation 34(1)(a)(iv) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides for Maintenance spares @ 20% of the O&M expenses including water charges and security expenses. Accordingly, maintenance spares have been allowed as under:

	Rs. in lakh)			
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
2979.53	3087.28	3198.30	3314.91	3434.62

54. The difference between the O&M expenses for 1 month' and Maintenance spares claimed by the Petitioner as against those allowed, as above, is only on account of variation in the water charges and security expenses claimed by the Petitioner and those allowed in this order.

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#### **Working capital for Receivables**

55. Regulation 34(1)(a)(v) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations provides for Receivables for 45 days. Accordingly, after taking into account the mode of operation of the generating station on secondary fuel, the Receivable component of working capital is allowed as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Energy charge for 45 days sale of electricity calculated on NAPAF	10518.77	10518.77	10518.77	10518.77	10518.77
Fixed charge for 45 days sale of electricity calculated on NAPAF	2957.26	2982.20	3025.88	3100.88	3169.07
Total	13476.03	13500.97	13544.66	13619.65	13687.85

- 56. As per Regulation 34(2) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, the cost of coal shall be based on landed fuel cost (taking into account normative transit and handling losses in terms of Regulation 39 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations) and gross calorific value of fuel is as per actual weighted average for the third quarter of preceding financial year. Hence, the Petitioner is directed to furnish the details of quantity of coal as per Regulation 34(2) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations at the time of truing up of tariff. The Petitioner is also directed to submit the details strictly as provided in Forms/ Annexures attached to the 2019 Tariff Regulations.
- 57. The Petitioner on a month to month basis, shall compute and claim the energy charges from the beneficiaries, based on the formulae given under Regulation 43 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations.

#### Rate of Interest on working capital

58. In line with the Regulation 34(3) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, the rate of interest on working capital, subject to truing up, is considered as 12.05% (i.e. 1-year SBI MCLR of 8.55% as on 1.4.2019 + 350 bps) for the year 2019-20, 11.25% (i.e. 1-year SBI MCLR

of 7.75% as on 1.4.2020 + 350 bps) for the year 2020-21 and 10.50% (i.e. 1- year SBI MCLR of 7.00% as on 1.4.2021 + 350 bps) for the period 2021-24. Accordingly, Interest on working capital has been computed as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

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	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Working Capital for Cost of Coal/	4634.19	4634.19	4634.19	4634.19	4634.19
Lignite for Stock (20 days generation					
corresponding to NAPAF) (A)					
Working Capital for Cost of Coal/	6951.28	6951.28	6951.28	6951.28	6951.28
Lignite (30 days generation	0001.20	0001.20	0001.20	0001.20	0001.20
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corresponding to NAPAF) (B)	400.00	405.00	405.00	405.00	400.00
Working capital for Cost of Oil (2	126.33	125.99	125.99	125.99	126.33
Months generation corresponding to					
NAPAF) (C)					
Working Capital for Maintenance	2979.53	3087.28	3198.30	3314.91	3434.62
Spares (20% of Annual O&M					
Expenses) (D)					
Working Capital for Receivables (45	13476.03	13500.97	13544.66	13619.65	13687.85
Days of Sale of electricity at NAPAF)					
(E)					
Working Capital for O&M expenses (1	1241.47	1286.37	1332.62	1381.21	1431.09
	1241.47	1200.57	1332.02	1301.21	1431.09
month of O&M Expenses) (F)	00.400.00	00500.07	00707.00	00007.00	00005.00
Total Working Capital (I) =	29408.83	29586.07	29787.03	30027.22	30265.36
(A+B+C+D+E+F)					
Rate of Interest (G)	12.050%	11.250%	10.500%	10.500%	10.500%
Total Interest on Working capital (H)	3543.76	3328.43	3127.64	3152.86	3177.86
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## **Annual Fixed Charges**

59. Accordingly, the annual fixed charges approved for the 2019-24 tariff period in respect of the generating station is summarized as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Depreciation	186.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest on Loan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Return on Equity	5424.17	5424.17	5424.17	5424.17	5424.17
Interest on Working	3543.76	3328.43	3127.64	3152.86	3177.86
Capital					
O&M Expenses	14897.65	15436.38	15991.48	16574.54	17173.11
Special Allowance	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00	3990.00
Total	28042.41	28178.98	28533.28	29141.57	29765.14

Note: All figures are on annualized basis. All figures under each head have been rounded. The figure in total column in each year is also rounded. As such, the sum of individual items may not be equal to the arithmetic total of the column

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#### **Application Filing fees and Publication charges**

- 60. The Petitioner has sought reimbursement of the fees paid by it for filing of the tariff petition and for publication expenses and has submitted that the reimbursement of the same are in accordance with Regulation 70(1) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations. In terms of Regulation 70(1) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations, the Petitioner is entitled for reimbursement of the filing fees and publication expenses in connection with the filing of this petition, directly from the beneficiaries, on pro-rata basis. Accordingly, we allow the reimbursement of the expenditure in accordance with Regulation 70(1) of the 2019 Tariff Regulations.
- 61. Similarly, RLDC Fees & Charges paid by the Petitioner in terms of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Fees and Charges of Regional Load Dispatch Centre and other related matters) Regulations, 2019, shall be recovered from the beneficiaries. In addition, the Petitioner is entitled recovery of statutory taxes, levies, duties, cess etc. levied by the statutory authorities in accordance with the 2019 Tariff Regulations.
- 62. The annual fixed charges approved as above, is subject to truing-up in terms of Regulation 13 of the 2019 Tariff Regulations.
- 63. Petition No. 431/GT/2020 is disposed of in terms of the above.

Sd/-(Pravas Kumar Singh) Member Sd/-(Arun Goyal) Member Sd/-(I.S. Jha) Member